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2. SUMMARY. TWO AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN MET WITH STATE COUNCILLOR ZOU JIANHUA, WHO TOLD THE VISITING

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AMERICANS THAT MARTIAL LAW CANNOT BE LIFTED YET BECAUSE "THE SITUATION IS NOT YET UNDER , CONTROL." ZOU TRIED TO ASSURE THE BUSINESSMEN THAT CHINA REMAINS COMMITTED TO ITS OPEN DOOR POLICY.

- 3. ON TUESDAY, JULY 4, THE AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY BECAME THE SECOND DIPLOMATIC MISSION IN BEIJING TO HAVE HELMETED PAP GUARDS WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS STAND GUARD IN FRONT OF THE EMBASSY.
- 4. THE OFFICIAL PRESS CONTINUED ITS CRITCAL ATTACK ON VOA, AND STATED THAT CNN CORRESPONDENT MIKE CHINOY'S REPORTS WERE INACCURATE. THE EMBASSY ECONOMIC SECTION REPORTS THAT COMMERCIAL AVIATION SERVICE TO BEIJING HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED, AND CALCULATES THAT LESS THAN 10 PERCENT OF THE NORMAL WEEKLY SUMMER SEAT CAPACITY IS FLYING INTO BEIJING. CHINA'S FLAG CARRIER, CAAC, MAY BE PA"ATICULAQRLY HARD HIT.
- 5. THE NPC REVIEWED REPORTS THAT THE 1988 BUDGET DEFICIT WAS APPROXIMATELY 2 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS. THE NPC ALSO REVIEWED THE NEW DRAFT LAW PLACING MORE RESTRICTIONS ON DEMONSTRATIONS. THE LOCAL MEDIA IS CONFIDENTIAL

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REPORTING THAT 64 HAVE DIED AND MANY HAVE BEEN LEFT HOMELESS AS A RESULT OF FLOODING IN EAST CHINA.

6. PREMIER LI PENG TOLG A VISITING OFFICIAL THAT CHINA WILL NOT FOLLOW THE CAPITALIST ROAD BECAUSE "CHINA WOULD BECOME AN APPENDAGE STATE TO CAPITALIST POWERS," AND THAT "CHINA MUST PRACTISE THE SOCIALIST SYSTEMQ" THE OFFICIAL PRESS CARRIED ANOTHER ARTICLE FROM PROFESSOR WANG OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SUPPORTING THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT CRACKDOWN ON PRO-DEMOCRACY DEMONSTRATORS.

END SUMMARY.

AMERICAN BUSIN/SSMEN MEET WITH SENIOR CHINESE OFFICIAL

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WERE THREE SEPARATE INCIDENTS IN WHICH CIVILIANS	~ -
FIRED ON THE PLA SOLDIERS, AND NO ONE HAS YET BEEN	
ARRESTED. THE SHANGHAI TRAIN BOMBING HAS ALSO CAUSED	
THE LEADERSHIP DISTRESS, THE AMERICAN	R1
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m B1}$ INNOCENT PEOPLE KILLED JUNE 3-4, BUT HELD TO THE PARTY LINE THAT CLEARING THE SQUARE WAS NECESSARY FOR STABILITY AND TO MAINTAIN AN ENVIRONMENT CONDUCIVE TO FOREIGN INVESTMENT. 8. THE BUSINESSMEN SAID B1 TRIED TO ASSURE THEM THAT THE LEADERSHIP IS COMMITTED TO ITS OPEN DOOR POLICY, AND THAT IT WILL HONOR EXISTING FOREIGN CONFIDENTIAL NNNN CONFIDENTIAL PAGE 01 BEIJIN 18116 02 OF 03 050951Z ACTION EAP-00 INFO LOG-00 ADS-00 AID-00 INR-07 EUR-00. SS-00 OPR-00 CIAE-00 H-01 NEA-06 NSCE-00 NSAE-00 SSO-00 HA-09 L-03 CTME-00 PM-10 PA-01 CCO-00 OMB-01 INRE-00 OCS-06 CA-02 FBOE-05 A-00USSS-00 USIE-00 SP-02 OC-01 M - 01SR-06 PRS-01 DS-01 SCT-02 1065 W -----05457 050959Z /25 O 050848Z JUL 89 ZFF4 FM AMEMBASSY BEIJING TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 2551 INFO AIT TAIPEI IMMEDIATE HGZ/AMCONSUL GUANGZHOU IMMEDIATE 7359 AMCONSUL HONG KONG IMMEDIATE AMCONSUL SHANGHAI IMMEDIATE AMCONSUL SHENYANG IMMEDIATE AMEMBASSY BANGKOK IMMEDIATE AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE AMEMBASSY MOSCOW IMMEDIATE AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI IMMEDIATE AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE

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EXCHANGE OBLIGATIONS. REPORTING CABLE DETAILING THE MEETING'WILL FOLLOW SEPTEL.

HELMETED PAP GUARDS STAND WATCH IN FRONT OF AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY

9. ON TUESDAY, JULY 4, THE AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY BECAME THE SECOND DIPLOMATIC MISSION IN BEIJING TO HAVE HELMETED PEOPLE'S ARMED POLICE GUARDS WITH AUTOMATIC RIFLES STAND GUARD IN FRONT OF THE EMBASSY GATES. UNLIKE AT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY, HOWEVER, THE AUSTRALIANS HAVE NOT NOTICED ANY INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF GUARDS.

PRESS DENIES VOA REPORT THAT PLA ATTACK WAS DELIBERATE

10. THE JULY 5 PEOPLE'S DAILY AND ENGLISH-LANGUAGE CHINA DAILY COMPLAINED ABOUT VOA'S JULY 3 BROADCAST CITING AN AMERICAN EMBASSY OFFICIAL AS SAYING THAT THE PLA SHOOTING OF THE DIPLOMATIC COMPOUND ON JUNE 7 WAS DELIBERATE AND PREMEDITATED. THE OFFICIAL PRESS SAID THAT PLA SOLDIERS ON THE STREET HAD BEEN RESPONDING TO SHOTS FIRED FROM TWO SEPARATE DIRECTIONS, CAUSING THE DEATH OF ONE SOLDIER AND INJURY TO THREE OTHERS. THE PRESS DENIED THE VOA REPORT THAT THE DIPLOMATIC COMPOUND WAS FIRED UPON FROM THE BUILDINGS ACROSS THE STREET AND FROM THE PLA TROOPS ON THE STREET.

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OFFICIAL PRESS ATTACKS CNN REPORTER MIKE CHINOY

11. THE JULY 4 BEIJING DAILY AND JULY 5 MORNING CHINESE LANGUAGE RADIO NEWSCAST ATTACKED MIKE CHINOY AND CNN REPORTING OF THE MASSACRE AS INACCURATE.

COMMERCIAL AVIATION SERVICE TO BEIJING SHRINKS

12. BEIJING ECONOMIC SECTION REPORTED JULY 5 (BEIJING 18007) THAT, BASED ON APPROXIMATE CALCULATIONS, LESS THAN 10 PERCENT OF THE NORMAL WEEKLY SUMMER SEAT CAPACITY IS FLYING INTO BEIJING. THIS IS ONE INDICATION OF HOW HARD THE TOURIST SECTOR IS BEING HURT. CHINA'S FLAG CARRIER, CAAC, MAY BE PARTICULARLY HARD HIT. UNITED AIRLINES IS AMONG THOSE FLYING REDUCED SCHEDULES. CATHAY PACIFIC AND DRAGON AIR CAN MAINTAIN THEIR SUMMER SCHEDULE BECAUSE OF HIGH PATRONAGE AS BUSINESSMEN ARE COMMUTING BETWEEN HONG KONG AND BEIJING. LUFTHANSA IS FLYING WITH INSIGNIFICANT LOADS, BECAUSE OF ITS OTHER COMMERCIAL INTERSTS IN CHINA.

NPC REVIEWS FINAL STATE ACCOUNTS FOR 1988

13. A MAIN ITEM ON THE JULY 3 EVENING NEWSCAST AND THE LEAD STORY IN THE JULY 4 PEOPLE'S DAILY WAS A REPORT FROM STATE COUNCILLOR AND MINISTER OF FINANCE WANG BINGQIAN. HE REPORTED THAT IN 1988 TOTAL STATE REVENUE WAS 262.802 BILLION YUAN (ABOUT U.S. 71 BILLION DOLLARS), STATE EXPENDITURES REACHED 270.657 BILLION YUAN (ABOUT U.S. 73 BILLION DOLLARS), FOR A DEFICIT OF 7.855 BILLION YUAN (ABOUT U.S. 2 BILLION DOLLARS). WANG SAID THAT THE STATE'S FINANCES

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IMPROVED OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR WITH THE FINANCIAL DEFICIT DECREASING 19.4 BILLION YUAN (ABOUT U.S. 5 BILLION DOLLARS).

NPC REVIEWS NEW DRAFT LAW PLACING NEW RESTRICTIONS ON DEMONSTRATIONS

14. THE JULY 3 EVENING NEWS AND JULY 4 PEOPLE'S

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DAILY REPORTED THAT STATE COUNCILLOR AND PUBLIC SECURITY MINISTER WANG FANG EXPLAINED THE NEW DRAFT LAW SUBMITTED BY PREMIER LI PENG. WANG STATED THAT TIGHTER CONTROLS WILL BE PLACED ON THE HOLDING OF DEMONSTRATIONS. IN ADDITION TO OBTAINING PRIOR PERMISSION, ORGANIZERS OF DEMONSTRATIONS WILL HAVE TO GIVE SECURITY OFFICIALS THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS, NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ORGANIZERS, AND OTHER DETAILS.

64 DIE IN EAST CHINA FLOODS

15. JULY 4 EVENING NEWS AND JULY 5 PRINT MEDIA REPORTED ON THE TORRENTIAL RAINS WHICH HAS CAUSED FLOODING IN JIANGXI, FUJIAN, ZHEJIANG, AND QINGHAI PROVINCES, AND GUANGXI ZHUANG AUTONOMOUS REGION, AND HAS RESULTED IN 64 DEATHS. UNCONFIRMED REPORTS STATE THAT 3.5 MILLION PEOPLE ARE AFFECTED BY THE FLOODING IN JIANGXI PROVINCE, WITH 370,000 LEFT HOMELESS.

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PREMIER LI PENG SAYS CHINA WILL NOT FOLLOW THE CAPITALIST ROAD

16. JULY 3 EVENING NEWS AND JULY 4 PRINT MEDIA COVERED PREMIER LI PENG'S MEETING WITH VISITING JAPANESE CHAIRMAN OF THE DAIWA SECURITIES CO. ECONOMIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE ISAMU MIYAZAKI, WHO WAS IN CHINA TO PRESENT THE CHINESE LEADERSHIP A REPORT FROM THE SCHMIT COMMISSION ON CURRENT GLOBALQISSUES. PREMIER LI PENG TKLD MIYAZAKI THAT CHINA WILL NOT FOLLOW THE CAPITALIST ROAD FOR "CHINA WOULD BECOME AN APPENDAGE STATE TO CAPITALIST POWERS....TO BECOME REALLY STRONG AND PROSPEROUS, CHINA MUST PRACTISE THE SOCIALIST SYSTEM."

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OFFICIAL PRESS CARRIES ANOTHER ARTICLE FROM A RETIRED COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR

17. THE JULY 5 PEOPLE'S DAILY CARRIED ANOTHER ARTICLE WRITTEN BY RETIRED COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR WANG CHI-CHEN WHICH WAS REPORTED TO HAVE APPEARED IN THE NEW YORK DAILY NEWS. PROFESSOR WANG WAS REPORTED TO HAVE WRITTEN THAT THE LEADERSHIP HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO CRUSH THE DEMONSTRATIONS, AND THAT IT WAS BETTER "TO SHED A LITTLE BLOOD" NOW, THAN A LOT LATER. THE

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PEOPLE'S DAILY ARTICLE STATED THAT THE PROFESSOR SAID THE U.S. DID NOT UNDERSTAND THE ACTUAL SITUATION IN TIANANMEN SQUARE.

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